

Remarks

Upon entry of the foregoing amendment, claims 27-121 are pending in the application. Support for new claims 120 and 121 can be found in the specification at, for example, page 39, lines 3-26 and Example 6. Accordingly, the foregoing amendment does not introduce new matter and its entry is respectfully requested.

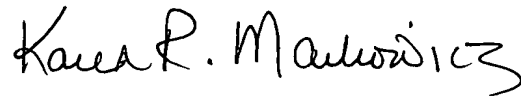
Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner confirm entry of the Reply to Final Office Action and Exhibits A and B that were filed on May 21, 2001. The Exhibits were not mentioned specifically in the June 6, 2001 Advisory Action.

Conclusion

Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner consider this Preliminary Amendment prior to examination of the CPA. Prompt and favorable consideration of this application is respectfully requested. If the Examiner believes, for any reason, that personal communication will expedite prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at the number provided.

Respectfully submitted,

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Amendment to the Claims:

New claims 120 and 121 have been added.